

Office of the Mayor County of Kana'i

roclamation

Americans with Disabilities Act

WHEREAS, on July 26, 1990 President George H.W. Bush signed into law the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) to ensure the civil rights of people with disabilities. This civil rights legislation established a clear and comprehensive national mandate for the elimination of discrimination against individuals with disabilities as Public Law 101-336; and

WHEREAS, the ADA expanded many opportunities for Americans with disabilities by reducing access barriers and increasing participation in community life; and

WHEREAS, over the past 20 years the County of Kaua'i has made great strides in its effort to comply with the ADA, implementing programs and policies that have improved access to County facilities and services; and

WHEREAS, we know the true promise of the ADA will only be reached if public entities remain committed to its original purpose and intent; and to reach the goal of full compliance with the ADA this administration will continue to make every effort to protect the civil rights of all people; and

WHEREAS, on the 20th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act, we celebrate and recognize the progress made under the ADA by reaffirming the principles of equality and inclusion, and recommit our efforts to reach full ADA compliance.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BERNARD P. CARVALHO, JR, Mayor of the County of Kaua'i, State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim July 26, 2010 as

Americans with Disabilities Act Recognition Day

Throughout the County of Kaua'i and acknowledge the achievements made before us to improve and enhance access to government programs, services and facilities for people with disabilities and to rededicate ourselves to their commitment in a more universal way which can support people of all ages and abilities in community life.

DONE at the County Building, Lihue, County of Kaua'i, State of Hawai'i this 26th Day of July, 2010.

> Bernard P. Carvalho, Jr. Mayor, County of Kaua'i State of Hawai'i



Hookani ka pahu

